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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON WHITE PAPER ON NARCOTICS

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1. MY STAFF AND I AGREE WITH ALMOST ALL OF AMBASSADOR BREWSTER'S THOUGHTFUL RECOMMENDATIONS. WE PARTICULARLY SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL FOR A HIGH-LEVEL USG STATEMENT ON MARIJUANA, AND THE CONCEPT OF BILATERAL OR SUB-REGIONAL MEETINGS ON NARCOTICS PROBLEMS. SUCH A MEETING IN CENTRAL AMERICA HAS ALREADY BEEN PROPOSED.

2. WITH RESPECT TO PARA 4(B) OF QUITO 8744, WE AGREE THAT SHORT-RUN GAINS MIGHT BE OBTAINED BY PROVIDING REWARDS TO HOST COUNTRY ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS. IN ORDER TO REACH OUR OBJECTIVE PRECISELY AND TO AVOID THE PITFALLS OF CONTINUING BUDGET SUPPORT, ANY SUCH PAYMENTS SHOULD BE IN RECOGNITION OF INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS WHO DEVELOP SPECIFIC INFORMATION WHICH LEADS TO HARD CASES AGAINST U.S. NARCOTICS VIOLATORS.

3. AS TO PARA 4(C), WE CERTAINLY WOULD WELCOME BEING
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INFORMED OF ALL COSTA RICAN NATIONALS WHO ARE ARRESTED

IN THE U.S. ON NARCOTICS CHARGES. WE HAVE ON OCCASION
BEEN EMBARRASSED BY THE LACK OF SUCH INFORMATION IN
OUR DEALINGS WITH LOCAL ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, AND
BELIEVE WE COULD USE IT TO GOOD ADVANTAGE. AT PRESENT,
HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE IT MIGHT BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO
PUBLICIZE THIS INFORMATION HERE SINCE IT TENDS TO
PLAY UP THE U.S. DRUG PROBLEM RATHER THAN THE PROBLEM
IN COSTA RICA.

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